PROMINENT CITIZENS

Examiner William H. Sands So Re-

luggests Prompt Prosecutions of ing to Tax Returns, Under Perjury Section of Code.

Citizens of large wealth and influence in Virginia, some of whom hold
consistions of prominence and great responsibility in the State, but none of
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study of the questions he discusses. whom he specifically names, are ac. study of the questions he discusses cused of perjury by Major William H. bils personal observation and his in Sands, Examiner of Records for the vestigations. to the State Tax Commission

or the information of that body.

These are given in a sequence of five.
These men and many others he
charges with swearing falsely for the

"First—That tangible property to the harges with swearing falsely for the purpose of evading payment of their just taxes. Astonishing disclosures are made with reference to tax. fodging that has been persisted in formany years. The Commonwealth and the mechanic, the artisan, the farmer, the small householder and others of moderate meaps have been the sufference. The examiner of records lays em-

On the general subject of taxation he ays that reductions can be and should

ole made at once for the benefit of po-ole of moderate means.

On the question of equilization:
There can be none until there is a disclosure of holdings by wealthy tax-

he tells the Tax Commission, 'until you are informed of values of things or properties justly available for segregation, though you can guess at it or continue the burden on the small tax-

tent and that in the hands of those of moderate means. Most frequently those crying for tax reform are those I have found heretofore paying little, if any, intangible personal tax, but those who doubtless sooner or later apprehend they may be overtaken in their erroneous returns together with those holding large amounts of bonds, notes, stocks and money, who would place the entire taxes on the land owner or the person owning a small amount of visible personal property.

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investigations, and offer some sug-gestions, which I hope will not be in-

reminds the Tax Commission that for years he has held to the the-ory that taxes can be decreased, with proper listing or assessment of in-

tangible property.
OWNERS' LIST WERE BAGATELLE AS COMPARED WITH HOLDINGS

"I am still of the same opinion. With-the last sixty days acting under e instructions of the Auditor and the Attorney-General, there has been returned through this office on ac-count of omitted assessments, intancount of omitted assessments, intangible property to the value of \$10,494,000, and the taxes on same actually paid to the State amounts to something over \$45,000, and to Henrico County, \$35,000. The exact amount payable to this city I am not in a position at the present time to state. These omitted assessments occurred during the lifetime of parties owning

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EXPERT TAX DODGERS

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The infermination of intangible property the average value of their intangible property being \$1,400. These thirteen parties whose returns were examined, in their lifetime were rated as people of means, some of them being worth in intangible property over \$300,000. Now the questions actually arise, how could these things exist? The answer is simple. It is because during their life they were their own assessor, and as such evaded or made returns to suit themselves.

MILLIONS HAVE BEEN OMITTED selves. "I am confident that with the co-Prominent Men for Falsely Swearing to Tax Returns, Under Perlury

operation of the officers of the law, such as we are now receiving, in this
district alone, from \$10,000,000 to \$20,000 to \$20,000 to formation of the officers of the law, such as we are now receiving, in this can be added to the assessment tax roll within the next sixty days. What is true of this city and this section, I feel satisfied is true of other cities of

OF RECOMMENDATIONS

s. The examiner of records lays emais on that fact, showing that the right of the rich man has been card upon the shoulders of the poor. It is shown to the rich man has been card upon the shoulders of the poor. It is should not exceed figures recommended in your message, the Tax Commission, which is now session and whose program of prolute may be shaped to meet unsusted conditions revealed by the excepting laws compelsations.

in session and whose program of procedure may be shaped to meet unsuspected conditions revealed by the examiner, are summed up briefly thus:
WANTS REDUCTION IN CHARGE
FOR PEOPLE OF SMALL MEANS
On the general subject of taxation he

"Fourth—The Auditor, or some one appointed by him, or under his supervision, should be empowered to review OVERDOSE OF L

ADMINISTRATORS DEFEND ACTION ON PLAYGROUNDS

"My examination has been confined not only to the estates of decedents, for I have extended it to those living for the sake of comparison, and in my office you will find the returns of weelthy men and some of them holding responsible positions in this State, and contributing to the support of the State less than \$2, excluding the capitalion tax, and this is the rule rather than the exception.

COULD FILL STATE TREASURY

TO OVERFLOWING

"There is a remedy for this false swearing and it has only to be used to see the coffers of the State overflowing and reductions of these taxes rendered not only possible, but mandatory. To demonstrate this pick out the names of a dozen wealthy men of this State and let an examination of their tax returns covering a period of ten to twenty years be made, and not the results.

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"The most important office in the state is that of Commissioner of the sevenue, and yet how often is it that it is filled with some ignorant, worth.

SE or incompetent man, and again when the office is filled with an honest or competent party who fearlessly and intelligently discharges his duty, efforts are made to bring about his defeat."

"Now that I am before you, I shall give just as concisely as possible my observations and experience in the tax of the content of the Rectail Grocers' Association to Ocean View on the Chesappeake and Ohio Railway yesterday returned last night after spending a day filled with genuine enjoyment. The excursion is said to have been the largest ever conducted by the association, and three sections were required to handle the crowds. Boating, fishing, dancing, feasting and music were enjoyed by the excursionists.

payable to this city I am not in a position at the present time to state. These omitted assessments occurred during the lifetime of parties owning or possessing at the time of their death assets over \$25,000. In an examination of some 500 cases, few, if any, intansible property and wherever thave been found where there is listed any intansible property and wherever the first family will remain until the end of their thave been found where there is listed any intansible property and wherever the saries of the Hall case, being in the country with their actual holdings.

"Another thing in this connection let me say to-day I compiled without making any special selection, the returns of thirteen tax payers in this city, whose aggregate intangible property at death assets over \$25,4000, the actual to the country death of the country of the country around the country

How're We Going to Get Anywhere?



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BOILERS OR LOSE POLICY In the returns of all commissioners of the recenue, and see that they discharge properly their duties in listing for taxation the citizens of their respective counties, with power to remove for failure to properly discharge their duty, with authority to examine parties under oath and call for person and papers. As long as commissioners are lected, it will be exceedingly hard to secure those who fearlessly discharge their duty, for no sooner has a commissioner made a good and efficient officers of their respective failures the first of the failure of the f

TWO SMALLPOX CASES

Negroes Removed From Clay Street Boarding House to Hosnital.

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Boarding House to Hospital.
The discovery of two cases of smallpox yesterday broke a perfect score
that has been registered by the Health
Department for more than two months.
The patients are Ollie Langon, colored,
twenty-two years old, and Hattie
Tompkins, colored, thirty-six years old.
Both lived at 219 East Clay Street.
The health authorities discovered
that Hattie Tompkins operated a
boarding house at the address given,
and that thirty or more persons were
furnished there with their meals. Ollie
Langon was one of the boarders. Both
patients were at once removed to the
scolored smallpox hospital.
Measures have been taken to quarantine all unvaccinated persons who
were exposed to infection. The Health
Department has traced the cases to
Raleigh, N. C., from which place, it is
stated, the disease was brought here
by a colored man who came to Richmond to work. Both the white and colored smallpox hospitals have been vacant for more than two months, and
the two cases discovered yesterday are
the only ones in the city.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL ANNEX

Second Baptist Church Buys Franklin
Street Adjoining Property.
For the purpose of enlarging its
Sunday school the Second Baptist
Church has purchased the residence
next door to the church building, and
plans for remodeling the structure are
under way. The residence, which is a
structure three stories in height, was
form 'ly the property of Henry E. Baskert of Noland & Baskervill. It is
under tood that a connecting passageway will be constructed between the
church and the residence, and the rooms
in the latter structure will be fitted
up as classrooms. The price paid for
the property was not given out, although it is said that the officers of the
Sunday school are highly gratified with
their purchase. special term to be held next Saturday, and the constructed between the church and the residence, and the comment of the constructed between the church and the residence, and the comment of the constructed between the church and the residence, and the rooms appeared to the control of the constructed between the church and the residence, and the rooms appeared to the control of the constructed between the church and the residence, and the rooms appeared to the control of the constructed between the church and the residence, and the rooms appeared with stealing 252.25 from the defferson Realty Cortles and pass classrooms. The price paid of the case against T. Guy Burch, who was a greeted charged with stealing 252.25 from the defferson Realty Cortles and pass classrooms. The price paid of the case against T. Guy Burch, who was a greeted charged with stealing 252.25 from the defferson Realty Cortles and the rooms of the control of the court and discharge the business obligations.

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Goes to Jail for Theft.

Susan Fant, colored, was yesterday convicted of stealing a silver watch and a bolt of dress goods from Mrs. Alice Joyner, and sentenced to three months in jail by Justice Maurice. When arraigned on a charge of having stolen \$15 and a gold watch from Mrs. Mary V. Fagan, she was sentenced to another three months. The woman was arrested by Detectives Wiltshire and Duffy.

MUST REPAIR CITY HALL **BOILERS OR LOSE POLICY**

Contractor Directed by Police Justice
Not to Run Automobile in Richmond.

J. H. Morris, a contractor, of 205
North Monroe Street, who was arrested by Policemen Samuels and Du Budue charged with recklessly running his charged with recklessly running his automobile on the Williamsburg Road, and with being drunk, was yesterday fined \$50 and costs in the Police Court, Justice Maurice, in passing sentence on the man who several months ago ran down Henry J. Holzgrefe and killed him while, it was alleged, he was speeding, said that he would order his license revoked. The justice further admonished Morris against running his car in Richmond.

Violated Traffic Ordinance.
C. N. Hightower, reported by Traffic Officer Bradley for violating the traffic ordinance, was yesterday fined \$10 and costs by Justice Maurice in the Police Court.

Policeman Hit by Ax.

Patrolman F. M. Bosquet, 515 North
Twenty-fifth Street, yesterday afternoon suffered a deep cut in his head
as a rescult of an ax blow, received
while the officer was cutting wood at
his home. The gash in his head is said
to have been several inches in length,
and to have required a number of
stitches to close if. There was no
fracture of the skull, it was said.

SOUTH RICHMOND TO BE MADE SANITARY

Citizens' Association Takes Steps for Removal of Garbage and Refuse.

ELKS BOLD SPECIAL MEETING

Social Session of Odd Fellows to Be-Held To-Night, When Grand Secretary Turner Will Speak-Cases Heard in Police Court.

AMUSEMENTS

Empire—Lucille Le Verue Company, matince and night.

Lyric—Vaudeville and pictures, matinee and night.

Superlor—Pictures.

GOVERNMENT WILL BUY OCEAN-GOING VESSELS

tives from justice in Baltimore.

When arrested here the girl-bride told a pathetic story of her efforts to escape repulsive home surroundings. Scheller corroborated her story, and added that it was because he knew of these conditions that he took her from her home and married her. The pair came directly to Richmond after their marriage and have been living here since.

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No offers to sell ships to the government have been received, but it was the general understanding that owners of many vessels now tied up in American ports will be glad to dispose of them. Immediately after the conference to-day work was begin to the scheme. conference to-day work was begun on the proposed legislation, and Senate and House leaders plan to bring about the completion of the movement as quickly as possible. There already is pending before the House Naval Af-fairs Committee a bill to appropriate \$25,006,000 for the purchase or con-struction of a fleet of twenty vessels. Another bill of this character is pend-ing in the Senate Naval Affairs Com-

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USEFUL FOR TRADING

AND AVAILABLE FOR NAVY

Before the House Naval Affairs Committee to-day Rear-Admiral R. M. Watt, chief of the bureau of construction of the Navy Department, discussed the type and size of vessel which would be useful as trading ships, and at the same time would be available as auxiliaries to the navy. He said the ships should be from 10,000 to 12,000 tons displacement. He added that the nave was a size of the same time would be available as auxiliaries to the navy. He said the ships should be from 10,000 to 12,000 tons displacement. He added that

Disorderly on Street.

Thomas Carter Jones was fined \$10 and costs by Justice Maurice yesterday when arraigned charged with being disorderly on the street. He was arrested by Patrolman Carter.

Case Is Continued.

The case against R. M. Lamb, charged on a warrant sworn out by Mrs. M. R. Harding with being disorderly at 516 North Monroe Street, was yesterday continued until August 21 by Justice Maurice in the Police Court.

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more, 3,600,000; in New York, 339,000; and in Boston, 641,000.

Railroads have refused to accept further grain shipments to New Orleans and Galveston, and while at New Orleans six ships are loading grain, virtually none of the grain at Galveston being touched. Even if all these millions of bushels of grain are disposed of, the secretary thinks the situation will become acute again when the cotton crop is offered for shipment.

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F. A. S. Frankilin, director of the International Mercantile Marine, came to Washington to-day to consult with the President and other government officials. Mr. Franklin proposed that the government provide means for the purchase of available foreign-built ships, declaring the step imperatively necessary, owing to the difficulty of raising capital necessary from private sources.

HOKE SMITH NOMINATED

Heard in Police Court.

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Shot While Bathing.

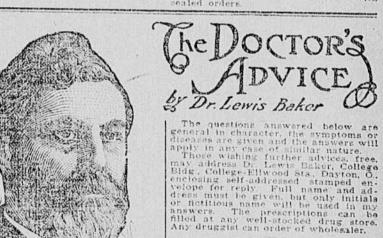
I Special to The Times-Dispatch I
LYNCHBURG, VA. August 12.—Oscar
Crowell, a young farmer living near
Elon, Amherst County, was seriously
shot last evening while bathing in the
James River, near Abert by James
Parish, a Chesapeake and Ohio track
walker, who lives near Reusens. The
wounded man was brought to a local
hospital this afternoon in an automobile. Crowell is twenty-one years old,
and was recently married. Parish escaped after the shooting McCrowl denies there has been any trouble between him and Parish, and he is at a
loss, he says, to know why Parish
should have shoot him.

M'REYNOLDS NOMINATED FOR U. S. SUPREME COUR

President Names Attorney-General to Succeed Late Justice Lurton.

Wilson's Official Household. Thomas W. Gregory Chosen as Attorney-General.

NO DOUBT OF CONFIRMATION



Answer. The symptoms indicate de-rangement of kidneys and should not be neglected. I would advise balmwort tablets, a compound well suited to such cases. Obtain in sealed tubes with directions for home use.

C. O. C. asks. "I am constipated, tongue coated, have headache, dizzy spells, and indigestion sometimes. Please advise."

Answer, I advise that you begin using three-grain sulpherb tablets (not sulphin). These tablets are laxative, act on the liver, kidneys and bowels and tend to keep the blood pure by arousing the eliminative functions. Relief should follow quickly.

Secretary' writes: 'I have pains in my spine and frightful headache in back of head fainting spells, twitching and trembling, nervousness, sleeplessness, loss of appetite and strength, and, in fact, am a has been when it comes to performing accustomed work and duties. Please advise.

Answer, in all such cases the assimilative functions have not kept paoswith waste functions, and a powerful harmless tonic treatment is needed. I find three-grain cadomene tablets unexcelled and asjonishingly beneficial in such cases and advise them for you.

Mrs. C. W. B. asks. "I suffer greatly in hot weather owing to too much fat. Can you advise me of a good reduction

remedy."

Answer: Any well-stocked pharmacy can supply you with 5-grain arbolone tablets, packed in sealed tubes with full directions for use. These tablets have proven wonderfully effective in reducing abnormal fat —Advertisement.

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Choice of three trains—8.30 A. M. 9 A. M. and 12:35 noon. 81.65 round trip to Cape Henry and Virginia Beach. WEEK END RATES: Old Point and Norfolk, \$3.60 round trip; Cape Henry and Virginia Beach, \$3.25. Tickets on sale Friday and Saturday good until Monday.